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SUBJ : MAJORITY OF NIGERIAN OIL REACHES US AND NETHERLANDS

1. PUBLISHED NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT STATISTICS SHOW THAT EVEN PRIOR TO THE ARAB OIL CUT-BACKS AND EMBARGOES DIRECT EXPORTS TO US WERE APPROACHING THIRTY PERCENT (OVER 600,000 BARRELS PER DAY) OF TOTAL CRUDE OIL EXPORTS. ADDING EXPORTS TO OFF-SHORE REFINERIES IN WEST INDIES,BAHAMAS (WHICH BEGAN IN JUNE 1973), AND US VIRGIN ISLANDS (SEPARATELY REPORTED AT LEAST SINCE MARCH 1973), PROBABLY MORE THAN FORTY PERCENT (OVER 800,000 B/D) OF NIGERIAN EXPORTS ULTIMATELY CONSUMED IN US. ABOUT FOURTEEN PERCENT EXPORTED TO NETHERLANDS, SO THE TWO COUNTRIES DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE ARAB EMBARGOES HAVE TOGETHER ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 55 PERCENT OF OIL EXPORTS.

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2. EXACT EXPORTS TAKEN FROM MINISTRY OF MINES AND POWER PUBLI-

CATION "MONTHLY PETROLEUM STATISTICS" ARE AS FOLLOWS (IN AVERAGE  
BARRELS PER DAY, PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL OIL EXPORTS IN PARENTHESES):

	TO US. ONLY	U.S.&OFFSHORE	NETHERLANDS
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JAN-DEC 1972	422,758 (23.7)	510,058 (28.6)	230,945 (12.9)
JANUARY 1973	512,980 (28.6)	799,343 (44.6)	155,669 (8.7)
FEBRUARY	496,653 (26.4)	829,987 (44.2)	189,075 (10.1)
MARCH	501,534 (26.0)	810,729 (42.1)	289,368 (15.0)
APRIL	482,065 (26.2)	738,184 (40.1)	244,494 (13.3)
MAY	466,410 (24.6)	692,280 (36.6)	198,941 (10.5)
JUNE	579,058 (30.1)	762,235 (39.6)	268,762 (14.0)
JULY	508,931 (26.7)	741,353 (38.9)	301,516 (15.8)
AUGUST	614,418 (30.3)	862,642 (42.5)	274,241 (13.5)

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